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FOLLOWING MESSAGE PREPARED BY CONGEN RIO WITH EMB. CONCURRENCE.

1. D.A.C. RESTRICTIONS ON GATEWAY CITIES ARE APPLICABLE ONLY TO NON-SCHEDULED AIRLINES. CHARTER APPLICATIONS FROM SCHEDULED AIR CARRIERS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BRAZIL ARE ROUTINELY APPROVED BY D.A.C. REGARDLESS OF CITY OF ORIGIN. D.A.C. SOURCE INFORMED CONGEN/RIO THAT KEEPING NON-SKEDS OUT OF GATEWAY CITIES WAS MEANT TO DISCRIMINATE IN FAVOR OF SCHEDULED CARRIER. D.A.C. FEES THAT SCHEDULED CARRIERS WILL FIND IT IN THEIR OWN INTEREST TO LIMIT GATEWAY CITY CHARTERS.

2. IN ANSWER TO REFTEL QUESTION (B) CONGEN RIO EXPECTS THAT D.A.C. WOULD APPROVE NON-SKED GATEWAY CITY CHARTER APPLICATIONS UNDER TWO CONDITIONS: 1) DURING PEAK PERIODS IE. CARNAVAL PERIOD IN RIO, AND 2) AS SMALL PART OF LARGE PROGRAM (SAY 1 OR 2 DEPARTURES OUT OF 20). WHILE D.A.C. HAS NOT REPEAT NOT PROMISED TO APPROVE ANY GATEWAY DEPARTURES, IT IS OUR JUDGEMENT THAT RESTRICTIONS WILL BE APPLIED FLEXIBLY UNDER ABOVE GUIDELINES.

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3. COMMENT: D.A.C. POLICY IS TO TRY TO PREVENT NON-SKEDS FROM DRAWING PASSENGERS FROM SCHEDULED CARRIERS IN PRIME MARKETS. D.A.C. REALIZES THAT GATEWAY CITIES HAVE A CHARTER MARKET BUT REFUSE TO PERMIT RETURN TO ONE OR TWO FLIGHT WEEKLY NON-SKED CHARTER PROGRAM THAT EXISTED IN EARLY 1975. D.A.C. OFFICIAL CLAIMS THAT THIS PROGRAM WAS MERELY SKIMMING THE MARKET. D.A.C. APPEARS TO BE HEAVILY INFLUENCED BY VARIG IN THIS ATTITUDE BUT ONE U.S. CARRIER HAS ALSO COMPLAINED TO D.A.C. ABOUT CHARTER CARRIER ACTIVITY.
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